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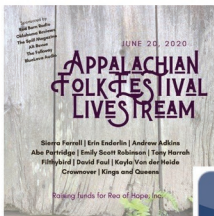
# Rea of Hopeline

## SPOTLIGHT ON SAVANNAH E.

By Heather Darr

This quarter we are celebrating one graduate from our Phase I program. Savannah E. is going reunify with her 4 year old daughter and continue her recovery at our New Life Apartments. We have enjoyed watching her grow in her recovery; and cannot wait to see what else God has in store for her! Her time at the Rea of Hope has been well spent. You never see Savannah without a smile on her face, she works hard and always has a positive attitude.

“I have so much to be grateful for! The best thing about recovery is the relationships. The fellowship I’ve gained, it’s like no matter what I’m going through I know there’s someone here who has felt the same, been in the same situation, I’ve learned how to do the next right thing. My daughter is my driving force and being a good mom is my goal. I have plans



As many of you know, we had to reschedule our 2020 Annual Miracles on Lee Street Dinner and Silent Auction. We look forward to holding our annual event again in 2021. In the meantime, please join us at 12 noon on June 20, 2020 for this amazing online event 'Appalachian Folk Festival - Live Stream', featuring these talented artists with opportunities to support Rea of Hope and donate to our mission to serve WV Women and their families! Visit Rea of Hope’s Facebook page and follow the link.



### Resident’s Sobriety Achievements:

1 year or more	1
9 months-one year	2
6-9 months	3
3-6 months	3
30 days-90 days	5

### Other goals met:

Employment	100%
AA/NA Sponsors	100%
Graduates	1

We were honored to join Rea of Hope graduate ('09) Deborah Harris, at the **YWCA Women of Achievement Luncheon** to support her as she received of the **Empowerment Award!** Since her time here, she has climbed up the ladder, obtained her Master’s degree and now works as Lead Transition Agent for Jobs & Hope. She has remained connected to the Rea of Hope and is always willing to help the new comer. Another miracle on Lee Street. Keep climbing Deb!

## DEAR REA OF HOPE SUPPORTERS

We would like to thank everyone whose generosity helps keep the Rea of Hope operating, even during a global pandemic! The outpouring of support has been overwhelming and ranged from the delivery of cleaning supplies and paper products, to providing masks for our residents, to blankets and meal delivery. We are blessed to be able to help as many as we do, thanks to your generosity. Moving into summer, Rea of Hope continues to operate at full capacity.

We were unable to hold our monthly Girl's Night Out with the restrictions in place due to COVID-19; however, we still have so much to be grateful for! We look forward to things returning to normal, and continue to be humbled by your support. We are all in this together. Rea of Hope could not be successful without the support from our local community.

Here are some of the blessings we received this past quarter:

Thanks to our friend and longtime supporter **Howard Thompson**, for donating toilet paper and essentials during the pandemic!!

THANK YOU to the **Charleston Vandalia Rotary Club** for their generous purchase of two new air conditioners (\$2,000) for one of our New Life Apartment buildings! We appreciate you!



**The Hardy Golfers** made a generous donation (from a safe distance) for our single moms living at New Life Apartments, giving each a \$50 Kroger gift card. Thank you so much!



Big thank you to **Glenda H.** and her mother, and staff member **Kimberly Graham** for dropping by with some sweet treats. We feel full and loved!

Thanks so much to **Jeff Sikorovsky** and **Paula Vineyard** for providing 2 nights of pizza for our residents. The support from everyone is amazing. Nothing goes to waste at the Rea of Hope.



We were blessed by **Baptist Temple** with a generous donation of cleaning supplies and paper goods.

**UniCare Health Plan of WV** delivered \$50 CVS gift cards to the ladies at Rea of Hope. We are very grateful for the remarkable relationship we enjoy with UniCare, and the amazing generosity they have shown to us.



A special thank you to **Mary Lee Dunn of Baptist Temple** for hand making and donating 7 children's quilts for our infants and toddlers at New Life Apartments in loving memory and honor of her daughter, Rebecca Joyce Lilly.

## Congratulations to our Rea of Hope grads on their sobriety anniversaries and other achievements.



- Haley W. ('09) is celebrating 11 years of continuous sobriety.
- Kristin A. ('14) is celebrating 7 years of continuous sobriety.
- Amanda A. ('15) is celebrating 6 years of continuous sobriety.
- Katie D. ('17), and Katrienna C. ('17) are celebrating 4 years of continuous sobriety.
- Tiffany C. ('19) is celebrating 2 years of continuous sobriety, and is in the process of becoming a certified Peer Support Specialist.
- Jeannie B. ('19) and Crystal G. ('19) are celebrating 1 year of continuous sobriety.



Brittany W. ('17), our Case Manager, welcomed Alexander Blake, 7lbs. 14oz., 20 inches long. We are so excited to watch him grow! Congratulations Brittany!

Congratulations to Shawna, who lives with her mother at New Life Apartments for graduating from the 5th Grade at Piedmont Elementary.



We are so proud to congratulate our Case Managers, Brittany Wolfe and Shatarra Stroman, on completing another semester on the Dean's List at WVSU! They will both graduate in December with their bachelor's degrees. We are looking forward to seeing what God has in store for these two AMAZING women.



Rea of Hope is blessed to have an active and involved Board of Directors. This past quarter our they met at **The Retreat** for a Strategic Planning Session. We would like to thank them for giving up their Saturday to work on our plan to continue to serve West Virginia women and children and their families! Special thanks to our facilitator for the day, **Becky King**, for all of her hard work.

We are so proud of our Executive Director, Marie Beaver, for being published in the **Herald Dispatch** (Huntington) and **The Journal News** (Martinsburg)! With an op-ed piece explaining that addiction recovery options must remain open and allow for different paths. In light of the recent focus on medication assisted treatment, we must continue to offer abstinence based treatment as an option. The Rea of Hope is proud to continue to offer its proven and effective abstinence based program.



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*WVAHP for the award of \$61,500 for special projects, professional development, and housing counseling services for residents.*

*The Pallottine Foundation for the generous gift of \$11,300 for technology improvements.*

*The Jacobson Foundation for donating \$10,000.*

*The BB&T Foundation for the gift of \$3,000.*

*Dominion Energy for the grant in the amount of \$1,000.*



We would like to thank **Sara Busse, Melissa Orders & Mary Odin** for making masks for all of our residents and their children!!

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